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Dear Wayne,

I enclose a list of post-1986 papers that mention both TGF β and PDGF. I don't see anything in the titles, or in the three papers I am enclosing, on the inhibition of TGF β effects by PDGF. I also talked to Jorma Keski-Oja about the result. He thought it was interesting and did not think anyone had noticed it before. He recommended buying PDGF from R & D Systems in Minneapolis (theirs is the purest) and/or that we show that the PDGF used has the expected mitogenic activity. As I recall you had already done the mitogenicity assay. It seems to me that the PDGF story could be the first paper. It also occurred to me that the inhibition of the TGF β effect by the RGD peptides might fit in the same story. That way we would already have the documents for a fairly large paper.

With best regards,


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